



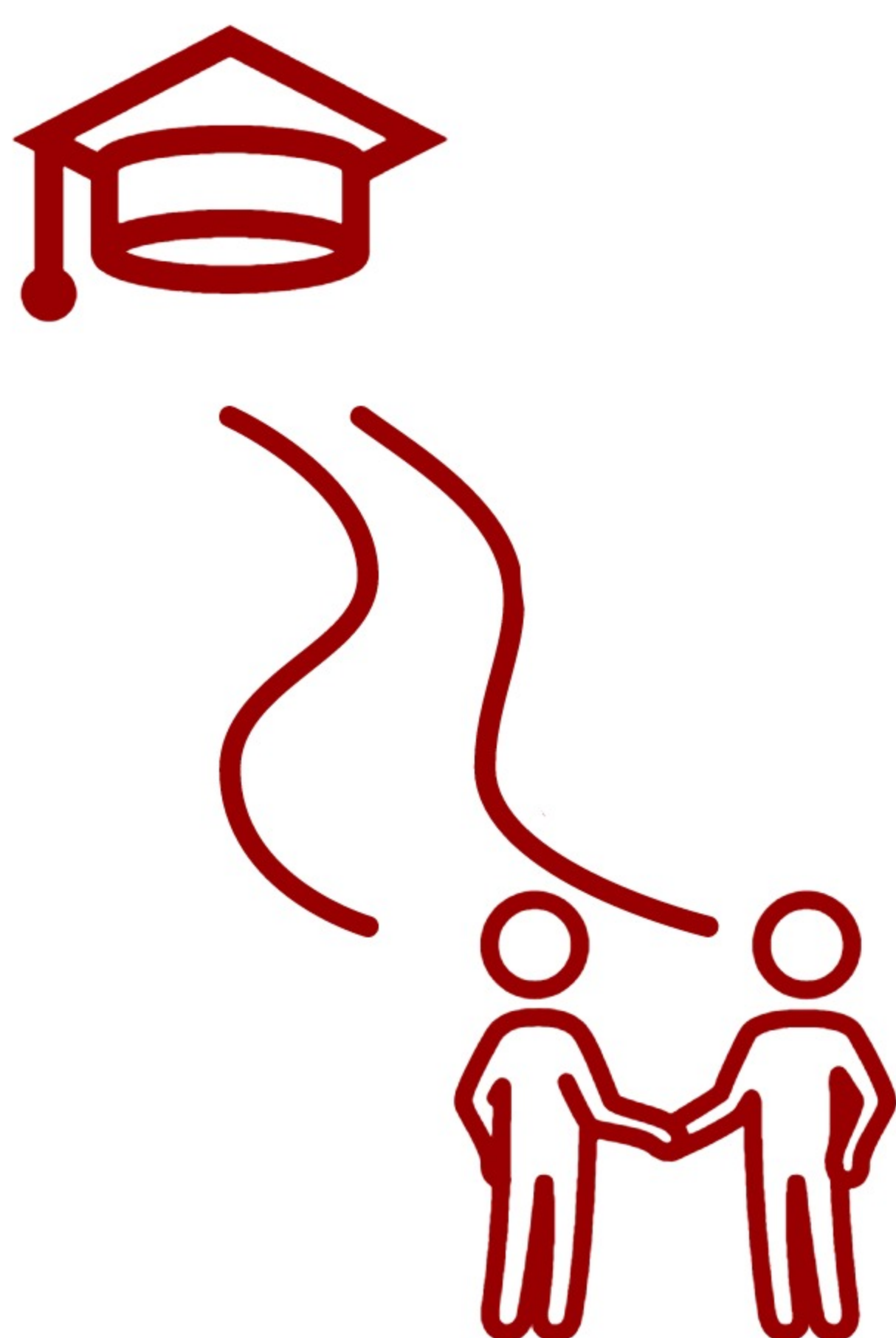
At-A-Glance: Tennessee Reconnect Communities



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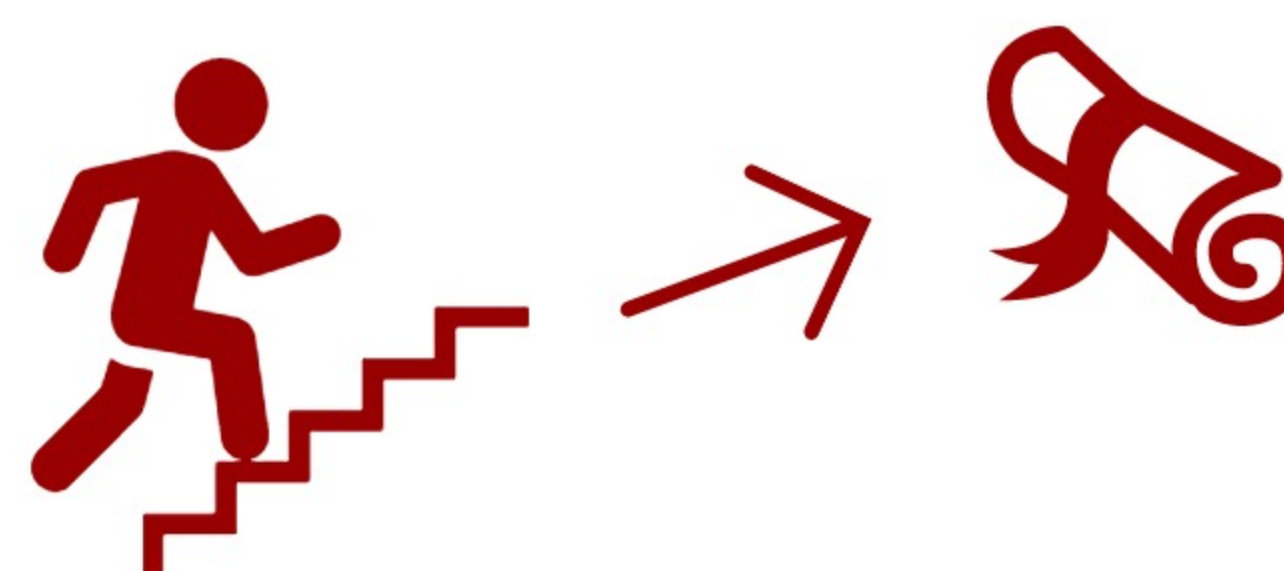
Tennessee Reconnect Communities (TRCs) are regionally-based public-private partnerships that assist adults in their efforts to complete a degree or certificate.

TRCs serve as a hub, connecting higher education institutions, employers, and other local organizations to provide adult learners with a single point of contact in one physical location for advising, career counseling, and resources that support the completion of a postsecondary credential.



The first three TRCs were established in 2016 by the Tennessee Higher Education Commission, in partnership with the Graduate! Network, and have expanded to eight communities across the state, with two more TRCs scheduled to open in 2018.

TRCs receive a start-up grant and technical assistance through a competitive process and are required to establish sustainable funding mechanisms to ensure the TRC is maintained once the initial grant has expired.



The Tennessee Reconnect Grant program, which provides eligible adult students with a last-dollar scholarship to complete a certificate or associate degree, requires students to participate in a college success program through a Tennessee Reconnect Community.